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REPLY TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

RE-PRESENTING APPLICANT'S

SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated October 27, 2004,
having a one month period for response, Applicant re-presents Applicant's Second
Preliminary Amendment with the corrections required by the Notice incorporated,
Specifically, Applicant has changed the designation of "Previously Added" all
occurrences to "Previously Presented" and has inserted the missing claim number 64.

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Other than these changes as pointed out in the Notice, the following is an exact copy of Applicant's Second Preliminary Amendment.

Further to the above-identified application, please amend the claims as follows.

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Amendments to the specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

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Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

Fee Calculation

15 Prior to this amendment, the application contained 52 claims, of which 4 were independent. After entry of the present amendment, there will be a total of 24 claims in the application, of which only 3 (claims 21, 55, and 64) are independent. Thus, no additional fee is necessary for the amendment.

20 Summary of claim amendments

Claims 21-72 were pending.

Claims 24, 29-36, 39, and 42 have been amended.

Claims 37-38, 43-54, 56-63, and 65-72 have been deleted.

25 Claims 73-74 have been added.

Claims 21-36, 39-42, 55, 64, and 73-74 will be pending upon entry of the present amendment.